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SICK HANDICRAFT UNITS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of handicraft units turned sick and closed during the last three years;

(b) the number of units which have been provided with financial assistance during the said period along with the number of sick units out of them;

(c) whether the said assistance has been provided to such units which have not gone sick;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(e) the steps taken to ensure that financial assistance is given to sick units only?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) Information on any sick handicraft unit has not come to the knowledge of the Government.

(b) to(e) There is no specific scheme for revival for such handicrafts units, However for the development of handicrafts through out the country, the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) has been implementing the following schemes, which includes Baba Saheb Hastshilp Vikas Yojana, Design & Technical Up-gradation, Marketing & Support Services, Export promotion, Training & Extension, Research & Development, Bima Yojana, Special Handicrafts Training Programme (SHTP), Workshed Scheme and Credit Guarantee Scheme.